A regular meeting of the Marathon City School Board was held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, in the High School Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Jodi DeBroux. She led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were board members Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux, and administrative staff Rick Parks, David Beranek and Ryan McCain.

Written notice of the meeting was posted and sent to the news media on Thursday, May 5, 2022.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reorganized and elected officers.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Vesely to nominate Jodi DeBroux for board president, close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried, Jodi DeBroux was elected board president.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to nominate Lia Klumpyan for board vice-president, close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried. Lia Klumpyan was elected vice-president.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Klumpyan to nominate Beth Seubert for board clerk, close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot. Motion carried. Beth Seubert was elected board clerk.

Motion by Knoeck to nominate Paula Vesley for board treasurer. Motion by Vesely to nominate Ted Knoeck for board treasurer. Nominations were closed and ballots casted. Ted Knoeck 4-0. Motion carried. Ted Knoeck was elected board treasurer.

Pete Weinshenk asked if the Village Board and School Board will be meeting to discuss upcoming village plans. A meeting is scheduled for next week to decide on date and time along with agenda items.

Vesely read the Marathon School District Vision Statement.

Mr. Beranek shared that the HS Student Council is moving forward with end of the year plans. An all school picnic will be held, with Helping Hands raising money during the event.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

April 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes Approval of bills May receipts Condition of the budget Activity fund balances MCCDEB Special Education Meeting Highlights
Retirement of Pam Hurtis as elementary teacher
Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks reviewed the details of the proposed defeasance and interest savings for the District. Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the resolution authorizing the transfer of funds, the establishment of an escrow account with respect to and the defeasance of certain of the general obligation refunding bonds, dated May 20, 2019. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Seubert to approve the contract for refinishing the north High School gymnasium floor over Christmas break. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Parks shared summer office and maintenance hours.

Mr. McCain gave an MVA Charter School update. The board adopted by-laws, with board membership changing from 9 to 7 members. New members and officers were elected and planning has begun for the Fun Run. Members of the DC trip will be selling candy bars as a fundraiser and information to the parents will be going out soon.

The following school board positions and designations were assigned:

WASB Annual Meeting Delegate: Lia Klumpyan CESA 9 Annual Meeting Delegate: Beth Seubert MCCDEB Board Representative: Jackie Hanke

Clerk position designation for postings, notices, and other assigned duties:

Jackie Hanke

Depository of School Funds: Peoples State Bank

Regular meetings for the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm at MHS

Annual Meeting for August 10, 2022 at 7 PM

Mr. Parks shared information regarding the meeting he and Brian Boehm had with the firm SiteLogic regarding a site review of systems and buildings to be utilized for our planning process. The board asked Mr. Parks to contact Nexus to compare and report back to the board.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve the co-curricular contracts as presented, with the addition of Patti Schalk as Prom Advisor and Gwen Altmann as MAES Yearbook advisor. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Klumpyan, 2nd by Knoeck to approve the Summer School teacher contracts as presented with updates. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve the adjustment of the Reading Teacher from 0.97 FTE to 1.0 FTE. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Vesely, 2nd by Seubert to approve Rhianna Sweno as a 2nd grade teacher, and Sara Hyzy as a 3rd grade teacher, pending receipt of a resignation letter from a current teacher. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Seubert, 2nd by Vesely to approve hiring an additional summer student worker. Yes – Klumpyan, Knoeck, Seubert, Vesely and DeBroux. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Beranek shared a handout from US News & World Report indicating Marathon High School earning National and metro-area rankings in 2022 Best High Schools in the US. He also shared his experiences in Washington DC, a trip he earned for being named Principal of the Year. Mr. Ellenbecker is working with HS teachers to offer remediation for students this summer. Seniors will be walking through both elementary schools this year.

Mr. McCain shared 8th grade events coming up and the success of the spring concerts and 5th grade musical just completed. PTO sponsored a Father/Daughter Dance and Donuts with Grandparents. Both events were a huge success. Staff organized an Appreciation Breakfast, which was well attended. The CESA 9 Reading Specialist has been in the building helping with intervention and instruction. He complimented teachers for doing great things and asked the board to watch FaceBook to see all the things that are going on in school.

Mr. Parks shared that a meal and breakfast was provided for Teacher Appreciation Day. Following the meal he met with all the staff. The District received word that the ESSER III full amount was awarded. Tera Fiera is leading both the pond committee and the school forest committee. Some repairs are being made at the pond area as required for insurance purposes. Plans and estimates will be coming in to construct the outdoor classroom. The ditch at the elementary school is currently being completed. Jill Plath, special education teacher, is retiring this year. Town of Marathon and Town of Stettin requested to have a board representative at their Annual Meetings. Both meetings went very well. Talking Points will also be shared in the future with area Businesses.

Tera Fieri shared the Better World Day and the projects the classes participated in. The classes raised \$700, which will go towards the pond project.

Motion by Knoeck, 2nd by Vesely to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Beth Seubert, Clerk